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SUBJECT: UN/TURKISH DEVELOPMENTS

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FOLLOWING IS TEXT LETTER GIVEN BY MARTENS TO KIRCA MAY 5.  
QUOTE: I HAVE HONOUR REFER TO OUR DISCUSSIONS REGARDING  
POSSIBLE CREATION OF CONTINGENCY STAND-BY FUND TO PROTECT  
TURKISH LICENSED OPIUM POPPY-FARMERS AGAINST ANY LOSSES OF  
INCOME, IF ANY, ARISING FROM PROHIBITION OF LANCING POPPY  
CAPSULES AND TO YOUR REQUEST TO RE-CONSIDER UNFDAC  
CALCULATIONS OF VALUE OF CROP IN LIGHT OF RECENT INCREASE  
IN WORLD MARKET PRICE OF MORPHINE IN OPIUM.

"THIS WORK HAS NOW BEEN DONE. I ACCORDINGLY ATTACH HERETO:-  
(I) MEMORANDUM DATED 5 MAY 1975 SETTING OUR UNFDAC'S  
POSITION, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO ITS WILLINGNESS TO  
ESTABLISH A CONTINGENCY FUND;

(II) ATTACHMENT MARKED "A: SHOWING ITS DETAILED  
CALCULATIONS IN LIGHT OF NEWLY CURRENT PRICE OF OPIUM; AND

(III) ATTACHMENT MARKED "B" SHOWING POSSIBLE CONTINGENT  
LIABILITIES OF GUARANTEEING A PARTICULAR PRICE FOR UNINCISED  
CAPSULES, AND ALSO GIVING AN ESTIMATE OF NEW SELLING PRICES  
WHICH SHOULD BE OBTAINABLE FOR UNINCISED STRAW.

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"I WISH TO RE-ITERATE UNFDAC'S VIEW THAT PRICE TO BE PAID TO POPPY FARMERS FOR THEIR UNINCISED CAPSULES IS ONLY ONE PART, ALTHOUGH CLEARLY A VITAL PART, OF SCHEME DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL SYSTEM. UNFDAC WOULD ACCORDINGLY EXPECT ACCEPTANCE OF ITS HELP IN REGARD TO GUARANTEEING PRICE TO FARMERS TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY EARLY PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY GOVERNMENT OF THIS GUARANTEED PRICE, BY IMPLEMENTATION OF VIGOROUS MEASURES CONTEMPLATED TO SECURE CROP FROM ILLICIT TRAFFICKERS, BY EARLY STEPS TO IMPROVE YIELD OF MORPHINE THROUGH USE OF BETTER SEEDS AND IMPROVED METHODS OF AGRICULTURE, AND BY READINESS OF GOVERNMENT TO CO-OPERATE WITH UNFDAC IN ESTABLISHING FINANCIAL FACTS OF 1975 HARVEST.

"I HOPE THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO COME TO AN EARLY DECISION ON THIS SUBJECT. THIS WILL ENABLE ME TO TAKE, IF NECESSARY, FORMAL STEPS REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH A STAND-BY FUND TO SUPPORT GUARANTEED PRICE TO FARMERS. I HOPE EQUALLY THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE GIVE ME AN EARLY REPLY TO THIS LETTER.

"SHOULD IT BE IN AFFIRMATIVE, I SHOULD REGARD IT AS AN ACCEPTANCE OF ATTACHED MEMORANDUM STIPULATING ASSISTANCE TO BE GRANTED BY UNFDAC AND CORRESPONDING ACTIONS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY GOVERNMENT. IT WOULD VERY GREATLY FACILITATE FUTURE CO-OPERATION IF GOVERNMENT WERE TO ESTABLISH HIGH-LEVEL POINT TO CO-ORDINATE MANY AND VARIED ACTIVITIES NECESSARY TO BRING WHOLE SCHEME TO SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. END QUOTE. ABRAMS

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